

# Tyler Junior College News

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## Pres conference

Newly-appointed college president Dr. Raymond Hawkins talks with reporters during a Feb. 18 news conference. Hawkins signed a two-year contract with the Board of Trustees shortly before the conference.

## BSU distributes 'loaves', proceeds to aid hungry

The Baptist Student Union is participating in the national Love Loaf program, an eight-week hunger project.

Small coin containers shaped like miniature bread loaves are being distributed to students, Terry Adams said.

These can be kept at home or in

## Wesley plans free retreat

The Wesley Foundation is preparing for a work retreat March 13-15 at Lakeview Methodist Assembly near Palestine. The Rev. Harvey Beckendorf has announced the retreat as free to all TJC students who are "willing to work for a weekend."

The retreat will also include worship, recreation and a bonfire. David Meeker, youth minister and choir director at the United Methodist Church in Henderson, will lead the worship services and activities.

Those going will earn their food and lodging that Saturday by doing work outside.

Beckendorf said he wishes everyone could go. Anyone interested in attending should see Beckendorf before March 9 at the Wesley Foundation.

dorm rooms as a reminder that while some have much, others have little or nothing to eat, Adams said.

A "Dedication of the Loaves" has been planned for April 22 when the containers will be turned in and proceeds counted. Through the eight-week period, the Wednesday noon luncheons will focus on world need and the Christian response, Adams said.

The BSU has designated 60 percent to be given to the Ministering Aid to Needy Nations Abroad project. MANNA is a cooperative effort between Baptist Student Unions and the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board to meet specific needs around the world.

The BSU target project is a literacy program in the Southern Philippines. They hope to raise at least \$200 to teach 80 members of the Agusan tribe on the Island of Mindanao how to read.

The remaining 40 percent will go to the emergency relief ministry of World Vision International, originator of the Love Loaf program. World Vision is a nonprofit interdenominational Christian humanitarian agency that conducts programs of childcare, emergency relief, community development, Christian leadership and evangelism in 78 countries.

## Hawkins signs contract, to take office March 1

Newly-appointed TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins, 40, signed a two-year contract Feb. 18 for \$50,000 a year plus an approved expense account with the Board of Trustees. Hawkins is dean of Instruction at Tarrant County Junior College—North-east Campus.

At a press conference immediately following the meeting, Board President Dr. Eugene Allen introduced Hawkins as "truly outstanding." Allen added that the Board had worked "long and hard" to find a person to succeed Chancellor Dr. H.E. Jenkins as president.

Hawkins will take office March 1.

TJC has a "long record of prominence in educational circles," Hawkins said.

Hawkins praised campus facilities—both in quality and quantity—which have become more numerous since he taught here from 1967-70. Among other changes, he noted a larger faculty and more students. Continuing education programs have also grown, he added.

Referring to his experience as a government instructor here Hawkins said, "I carry very fond memories of my association with the college."

Hawkins added, "Jenkins provided excellent leadership and personal encouragement," urging Hawkins to pursue educational and junior college administration.

Hawkins attributed the general rise in junior college enrollment to several factors. Cost is a primary consideration he said. Also when academic skills are not

## Good grades necessitate attendance

Class attendance is very important, Dean of Admissions Kenneth Lewis said, and added that regular attendance is required for student success.

"It is very easy to get out of the habit of going to classes," Lewis explained. "That is why it is mandatory for students to attend classes daily."

Lewis said that after one week of absence the instructor may drop the student from that particular class.

Some "excused absences," depending on the instructor, are personal illness or family illness.

A student can be dropped not only for not attending class but, according to state law, for being disruptive in class, Lewis pointed out.

TJC pays so much attention to attendance because TJC attendance is certified to the state while other schools do not care, Lewis said.

well-developed in high school, junior colleges can help. TJC is very proud of its low student-teacher ratio, he added.

Another reason for growth is that junior colleges offer diverse programs—geared to a wide range of people. Students can try different things here.

Guidance is not always available at four-year schools, Hawkins said, not because they don't care but because the need is not as great.

Junior colleges serve a kind of student not being served elsewhere, Hawkins concluded.

Hawkins has no specific changes planned now. "Of course I realize the college has long-range plans," he added. "I hope that rather than identifying specific new programs that we identify our needs far in advance."

Hawkins' wife and three sons plan to remain in the Fort Worth area until the end of the school year, Hawkins said. Both Hawkins and his wife are East Texas

natives and his sons were born in East Texas, so they are "particularly pleased" to be returning, he added.

## Candidates may file Monday

Senate office petitions can be picked up Monday in the Student Affairs Office. Candidates will have until Friday, March 6, to get signatures of four instructors and 50 students.

Potential candidates' transcripts are then checked and, if approved, the student's name is placed on the ballot, said Student Affairs Director Billy Jack Doggett.

Campaigning will begin March 9 and elections will be March 12.

Candidates are required to be taking at least 12 class hours, receiving at least a C for all hours attempted. Completion of 24 hours by the fall of the second year is also required.

Candidates will be nominated and deliver speeches at a March 11 assembly. Constitution revisions will also be reviewed, said Senate President Jeff Clark.

Two Constitution revisions will affect candidates. A \$200 limit has been placed on campaign spending and brochures and pamphlets may now be distributed.

All campaign posters must be approved by Doggett. Gum and any edible objects cannot be distributed by candidates during campaigns.

Run-off elections are scheduled for March 17.

## Shackleford will direct state meet

Theme of the Texas Junior College Speech and Theater State Meet March 19-21 is "What is Love?" Speech and drama instructor Jacque Shackleford will direct the tournament, assisted by drama instructors Dr. Jean Browne and M'Liss Hindman.

Casting for two of the events, reader's theater and group improvisation, has been completed. Chosen to perform reader's theatre are Chele Graham, Ben Roberts, Joe Funke, Amy Motes and Marla Fields.

Group improvisation is a creative dramatics contest. The group is given a situation and 30 minutes to create a scene and then perform it. Comprising the cast are Marla Fields, Amy Motes, Dale Dudley, Joe Funke and Tyanne Hewitt.

## Senate approves revisions

The Student Senate Feb. 10 approved two constitution revisions affecting Senate campaigns, and proposed three new amendments for the next election.

Changes approved will make the constitution "more viable and meet changing times," said Student Affairs Director Billy Jack Doggett.

A \$200 campaign spending limit is now effective. Doggett said this assures "equality" in campaigning.

The Senate repealed a constitution amendment requiring no handbills to be passed out by candidates unless attachable to clothing. It is permissible to hand out brochures, cards and similar handbills with approval by the Student Activities Office.

On recommendation of the Senate Advisory Committee another change to be voted on requires Homecoming Queen nominees to take at least 12 hour class load. "This would assure nominees are full-time students and not just taking one or two courses," said committee Chairman Sunny Shook.

Two amendments would simplify proposing future constitution revisions. A petition with 5 percent of full-time students instead of 10 percent could submit a revision for Senate vote. Any one Senate officer or representative could propose a change without a two-thirds Senate majority.

Senate President Jeff Clark will review all revisions at a March 11 election assembly.



# Officers visit

The five Senate officers will go to the Galveston Burn Hospital the week of March 16. President Jeff Clark says the trip will help officers see and better understand the uses for student donated blood, says Clark. The trip will also give more publicity to the campus spring Blood Drive.

The trip, suggested to Clark and Doggett by Director Billy Representative Cone Carter, will be paid for by the Shriners. The Shriners will also transport the officers to the hospital.

Senate members took a similar trip six years ago to the Burn Hospital. That trip helped the following Blood Drive and Clark hopes this trip will do the same.

The reason for such emphasis on the Blood Drive, said Clark, is that at one time TJC was among the top blood donating colleges in the state.

"At one time we donated as much as 400 pints," Clark said, "but the amounts donated have fallen off recently to about 125 pints, which was given last semester." Clark hopes that amount will be surpassed in the coming drive.

The trip is not the first time the Shriners have helped the Senate. For this year's Valentine Dance, the organization donated both facilities and equipment to the Senate, "which we appreciate very much," said Clark.

"I hope," said Clark, "students will show their appreciation (for the Shriners' help) by helping with the Blood Drive as much as possible." Student cooperation will in turn make more blood available to the Hospital.

He says he hopes to see a major turnout for the spring drive.

## Ceiling tiles need repair

The four class rooms in Jenkins Hall plagued by loose ceiling tiles will wait until summer to be repaired, says maintenance Supervisor Bill Parker. He said there simply isn't any money allocated to repairing them in the last budget.

Parker expects the ceiling to be repaired this summer when most minor renovations are made. "We'll be doing a little sidewalk repairs, a little painting around, just general repairs," Parker said.

The problem was caused by aging glue, which has begun to crack allowing tiles to fall apart. An outside contractor will be brought in to make the repairs, Parker said.

## Editorial Opinion

# Voice weakens without use

Decisions made on campus without student consideration or input permeate almost every policy area.

Given an opportunity to change this, most students are complacent—doing nothing.

Only 497 students, less than 15 percent, voted in the last spring Student Senate officer elections. In the last two Senate presidential elections, the margin of victory was fewer than 25 votes. Of the thousands of students, the multitude of campus interests, rarely do more than three candidates run for each office.

Students should seek, even demand that they share decision making. One would not suggest that students should go burn government buildings, stage sit-ins, paint VW vans with flowers and become "cosmically enlightened," but certainly they should make themselves known.

What can be done?

Monday students may pick up petitions for Student Senate officer elections. Six offices are open: Student Senate president, vice president and secretary and sophomore president, vice president and secretary.

Pick up a petition. Get a friend whom you know would be a good officer to pick one up. Get people to run. The only way student interest can be improved is through good leadership.

Get involved in someone's campaign. Support the candidate's ideas.

Vote in the election. It is an ominous portent when fewer than two out of every 10 students you see control who guides student government, and protects student interests.

Become a Senate representative for your organization. Apply for next fall's Advisory

Committee. Attend Senate meetings and voice an opinion. Write letters to the editor.

Student government has its serious faults, but it remains the primary mode of student expression and action.

Student government needs strong, capable leaders.

TJC has a basically good system of government in place. All that is needed is good leadership. All that is needed is your action.

As someone once said, take care of your own interests or someone else will. Take care of student interests.

## APACHE

### Write on armadillos

To the editor,

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Resolution HCR 53 is in Austin now and we need help to get it passed. Would you please ask your readers to write to their representative and senator and ask them to vote for it.

If any school kids or teachers want more information, they can write to: Armadillo in '81, Oak Creek Elementary, 3975 Glade-ridge, Houston, Texas, 77068, and we will send some things.

Sloan Childers, age 10  
President, Armadillo Council

## Band members continue sports event tradition

Playing the national anthem before sporting events is a tradition. Before every men's home basketball game a band student carries out that tradition.

Band Director Jack Smith said head basketball Coach Ned Fowler asked the band to help with the anthem several years ago. Since then it has been played before each game.

Smith said he has no problem getting band members to vol-

unteer to play. Some request days in advance for the honor.

The anthem has been played mostly by cornet and trombone soloists. For the remainder of the season, Smith said he plans to use a wider range of instruments including baritone, French horn, clarinet and tuba. He also plans various ensemble arrangements.

Besides providing a service for the college, band members get valuable experience playing before a crowd, Smith said.

## Reagan faces problems

By GREGORY WILLIAMS

The Reagan administration will have to overcome some of the problems of the previous Carter administration if it is to fulfill promises Reagan has made to solve problems facing the American people.

The administration will begin in the areas of unemployment, inflation and foreign policy, said government instructor, Rhey Nolan.

The Reagan administration will have to include all sectors of people in tackling the problem of unemployment, Nolan said, it will take time to solve the problem. Nolan noted Reagan is against ERA. He thinks that every woman should be the ideal wife he thinks Nancy Reagan is, Nolan says.

Alexander Haig will be a problem in a civilian position but Haig's experience will be valuable, Nolan said.

History instructor Cecil Greer believes the experience Haig lacks in the civilian position will be overlooked because of his knowledge of Middle East affairs.

Greer also said the most feasible way to get the economy back on the swing would be to get inflation at a standstill and reduce the prime interest rate. A reduction in corporate and personal income taxes would be favorable in stimulating the economy, he said.

## Assistants provide lab aid

Lab assistants in biology, geology, and chemistry help students during their lab sessions. In geology lab assistants also help instructors grade lab work.

"Lab assisting is a good job because it pays the minimum wage for an average of 9-12 hours work per week in three or four labs," geology instructor Marsha Layton said.

Trimming the budget where necessary will be important in keeping inflation down. Greer said the federal government will have to lead the fight against problems facing the American people.

The Reagan administration has made many promises to the American people. Only time and cooperation between the government and the people will bring about the solution, Greer and Nolan agreed.

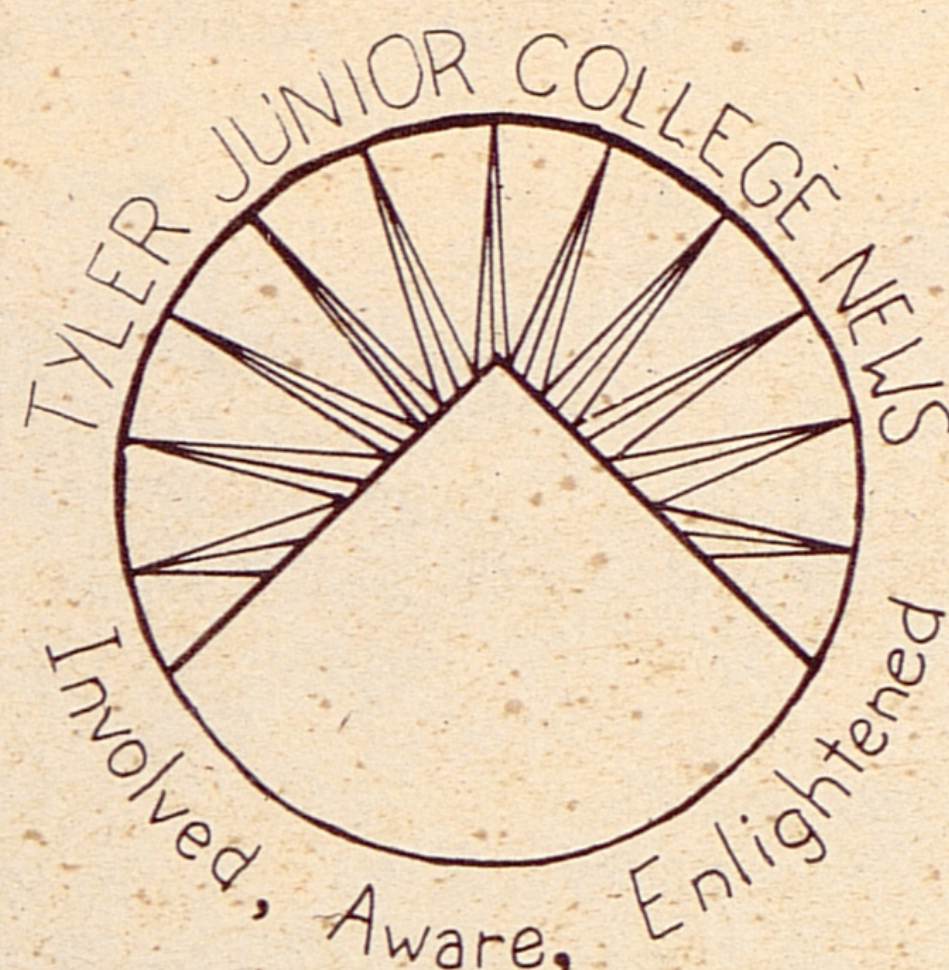
It is one of the few on-campus jobs open to students, she said. It saves travel time and expense.

Layton also said lab assisting is a way to meet people and expand one's personality. It makes the assistant more familiar with the material which is especially helpful if this subject is the assistant's major.

Students may apply for assistantships if they have an overall B average, A or B average in the course in which they will be assisting and have had two semesters of the subject.

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## THURSDAY, FEB. 26

10 a.m.-Wesley "Rap with Charles"  
11:30 a.m.-Tri-C Hot Soup/Bread

## FRIDAY, FEB. 27

7 p.m.-Tri-C Fellowship devotional

## MONDAY, MARCH 2

Pick up petition for Student Senate, sophomore class officers

1 p.m.-Faculty reception for Dr. Hawkins, Vaughn Library

6 p.m.-BSU Executive Council

7 p.m.-BSU Koinonia

## TUESDAY, MARCH 3

10 a.m.-Wesley Devotional

6 p.m.-Tri-C Dinner Devotional

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

Noon-Agape Luncheon, BSU

8 p.m.-"The Unsinkable Molly Brown," Wise Auditorium

## THURSDAY, MARCH 5

10 a.m.-Wesley "Rap with Charles"

11:30 a.m.-Tri-C Hot Soup/Bread

8 p.m.-"Unsinkable Molly Brown," Wise Auditorium

## Tennis teams lose 3, win 1

The men and women's tennis teams took a wide swing through Louisiana last week, losing to Northwestern State College at Natchitoches, 3-6, 4-5, and Louisiana Polytechnic Institute at Ruston, 2-7, 5-2.

Apache men winning against Northwestern were: Doug Hall, 6-4, 7-5 in singles and Hall-Ricardo Acioly, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3 and Tim King-Lance Watson, 6-0, 7-5, in doubles.

## Men drop key games

The Apache men have fallen on hard times as they have lost two key conference games to Henderson County Junior College and Jacksonville Baptist College.

The losses dropped TJC's record to 25-3 for the year and 11-3 in Texas Eastern Conference play.

The two teams' first meeting was in the Men's Gym in Athens. Their first scheduled game in Wagstaff Gym was postponed when Robin Grays broke the south backboard in the warmups. Another backboard bit the dust at Grays' hands, but Henderson County officials had a reserve on hand so the break only caused a delay.

TJC led by as much as 13 in the second half but watched that advantage slip away as Tyler fell, 55-52, in overtime. Coach Ned Fowler called the HC game their "poorest performance of the year."

Elton Webster led the attack with 18 points and Howard Jenkins nailed in 11.

The Tribe shot only 41 percent from the field for the night.

The Apaches' next loss was at the hands of Jacksonville Baptist, 59-58, in overtime in Wagstaff Gym.

Two free throws with no time on the clock sealed the win for Jacksonville.

The difference in the game was at the charity stripe. TJC hit only 6 of 13 from the line.

Women winning were: Cheryl Simcox, 6-3, 6-4. Sheree Reynolds, 7-6, 6-3 and Karen Wesson, 6-0, 6-4, all in singles. Reynolds-Simcox were the only women's doubles to win, 6-4, 7-6.

At Louisiana Tech the women outshone the men. Winners were: Reynolds, 6-2, 6-4; Donna Watson, 6-1, 6-7, 6-3; Simcox, 6-3, 6-3; Wesson, 6-4, 6-2 and Claus Dannenberg, 6-3, 6-2 in singles and Watson-Wesson, 6-1, 6-7, 6-3 and Acioly-Hall, 4-6, 7-6, 7-6, in doubles.

This semester the teams are playing more four-year colleges.

"A lot of the colleges are interested in TJC players and this gives them a chance to see them in action," says head Coach Fred Kniffen.

The men's team is preparing to defend their National Junior College Championship. The team contains three top-ranked men:

Scott Nichol, National Junior College single's champ; Doug Hall, fifth in national singles; Lance Watson, Texas' top single's player.

The team played TCU Wednesday and were in the Waco Tournament last weekend.

## Ladies cinch tie for first

The Apache Ladies charged past the Henderson Lady Cardinals, 68-63, Feb. 16 at Athens.

## Ducks dunk Delta Upsilon

In intramurals for the week Feb. 16-20 the men played close games while the women played games that showed complete dominance.

In men's action the Mangled Baby Ducks, a group of independents, downed well-known Delta Upsilon, 38-29.

The Baby Ducks had complete control throughout the contest while the DU's never got their act together.

Heaven and Earth took the Foster Children in a game of the unbeaten, 59-48. Heaven and Earth were hot throughout the game but the Foster Children never moved out of the starting blocks.

Heaven and Earth won again as they outlasted West Hall, 56-40.

In women's action two games were runaways and the other two were close.

The PE Majors remained unbeaten, trouncing TESN, 42-7. TESN took it on the chin again as San Souci edged them, 26-24.

The PDB's didn't give the San Souci's much time to celebrate as they murdered them 36-2 and rolled by Tau Kappa 27-19.

This win cinched the Ladies a tie for first in conference play.

Rosie Aldridge led the Ladies with 23 points.

"I thought our kids played good ball. It was one of their better games but when you shoot well and play tight defense you're bound to look good," said head Coach Herb Richardson.

Right now the Ladies are on top with a record of 12-1, but Henderson County Junior College and Panola Junior College are right on their heels with 11-2 records.

The Ladies played Panola Saturday. A win would have handed them the conference but a loss would have put them into a three-way tie for the lead.

With a win the Ladies would earn top billing in the regional tournament Feb. 24-25 at Athens and be pitted against arch-rival, fourth-ranked Kilgore. The winner of the tournament will go to Nationals in Overland Park, Kan.

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